



## **Corridor Protection: What It Means to Property Owners**

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- After the public hearings:
  - The study team will review all public comments and make any necessary revisions to the corridor
  - The map will then be filed with the Recorder of Deeds in Madison, St. Clair, and Monroe counties
- After the map is filed, IDOT will notify property owners by registered mail within 60 days if their property is within the corridor
- Property owners need to tell IDOT if they plan to make any improvements to their property
  - IDOT will then tell property owners within 45 days:
    - proceed with the improvement
    - property will be acquired
- If IDOT plans to acquire the property, IDOT has an additional 120 days to begin property acquisition process
  - After receiving notice of IDOT's intention to acquire, any improvements made without notifying IDOT may not be compensable
- The price paid for the property will be determined at the time it is purchased by IDOT and is based on comparable properties outside the corridor
- If IDOT does not acquire the property, it may be developed as local laws permit
- If a property is within the corridor, property owners should contact IDOT before beginning any improvement project, no matter how large or small